

## Message Text

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DRAFTED BY USERDA:AIA:E T MCFADDEN:GLS/AN

APPROVED BY OES/NET: L NOSENZO

USNRC - M PETERSON (IN SUBS)

USERDA/AIA - G HELFRICH

ACDA - D OYSTER/J BORIGHT

IO/SCT - A JILLSON

EUR/RPE - A SENS

PM/NPO - J MCGUINNESS

OES/NET/IM - D HOYLE

T/D - L SCHEINMAN / E MCGAFFIGAN

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TO USMISSION IAEA VIENNA PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: IAEA, PARM, TECH

SUBJECT: APPROVAL FOR TRANSFER OF BNBS PLUTONIUM SAMPLES  
TO FRG

REF: IAEA VIENNA 0618

1. U.S., IN PRINCIPLE, DOES NOT WISH TAKE ACTIONS WHICH  
MAY BE CONSTRUED AS APPROVING OPERATION OF REPROCESSING  
PLANTS PENDING DELINEATION OF U.S. POLICY THIS SUBJECT  
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2. HOWEVER, U.S. ALSO BELIEVES THAT DEVELOPMENT OF MATERIALS ACCOUNTABILITY METHODS AND SAFEGUARDS WITH RESPECT TO ALL NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE ACTIVITIES SHOULD CONTINUE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION. U.S. REALIZES THAT DEVELOPMENT OF OPTIMUM REPROCESSING PLANT SAFEGUARDS REQUIRES TIME AND CAREFUL STUDY AND THAT ACCURATE MEASUREMENTS OF PLUTONIUM WOULD BE

ESSENTIAL IN ANY APPLICATION OF SUCH SAFEGUARDS.

3. FURTHERMORE, U.S. RECOGNIZES DESIRABILITY OF ENCOURAGING, IN SO FAR AS CONSISTENT WITH NON-PROLIFERATION OBJECTIVES, COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN IAEA SAFEGUARDS DIVISION AND FRG INDUSTRY. SUCH RELATIONSHIP SHOULD

ENHANCE IAEA ABILITY TO CARRY OUT ITS VERIFICATION RESPONSIBILITIES IN EC WITH MAXIMUM EFFECTIVENESS.

4. FOR ABOVE REASONS, AND IN LIGHT MISSION RECOMMENDATION PARA 4 REFTEL, U.S. IS PREPARED IN PRINCIPLE TO AUTHORIZE TEMPORARY TRANSFER TO FRG OF NBS SAMPLES IDENTIFIED PARA 2 REFTEL.

5. REGARDING FORMALITIES, BELIEVE BEST METHOD IS FOR ERDA FORM MB-10 (RETRANSFER APPROVAL REQUEST) SIGNED BY IAEA AND BY EURATOM (FOR FRG/WAK) TO BE SUBMITTED ASAP TO USERDA (D. SHILLER, IPI/MS BRANCH), INCLUDING STATEMENT OF END USE AND FACT THAT IAEA HAS PROPOSED THIS TRANSFER IN CONNECTION WITH SAFEGUARDS MEASUREMENTS AT PLANT.  
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